

SENATOR SYAS: I would like to call to Senator Nore's attention on that...on his statement which is part of this particular discussion that I think that the personal property tax exemption. It was put on by the rule people. If they were limited to this you wouldn't have it today Senator Nore, because they put quite a bit of money in that proposition to pass it. Also the state going out of the state and income tax, the farm bureau, the agriculture interest would have put quite a bit of money in that one. I don't know how much was put into the horse racing when they sold that one to the people, and Bingo and so forth, but I mean that if you want restrictions, this legislature can get to the point where people will not be able to support or oppose a constitutional amendment or put anything on the ballot or repeal the law that the legislature makes. You are going to put them down so the constitution of how you put things on the ballot would be meaningless because you can't support it. You are not allowed to support it. I think that we should take a really good look at what we are doing. I agree with Senator Fellman, I don't have all of the answers on this bill, but I think that we had really better look this bill over.

PRESIDENT: Now, do you have any further discussion of Senator Warner's motion? Senator Warner do you have any closing on your motion then?

SENATOR WARNER: Only to say Mr. President, that LB877 is very straight forward bill, it has no gimics in it and a.. has been suggested, it does exactly what it says that it does, it limits contributions to a thousand. If you want an effective control to prevent improper influence in elections then you have got to be willing to accept controls of individual contributions every instance of the federal level it seems to me that every instance of mis-use of campaign contributions has evolved around the unlimited contribution that an individual or special interest group could make in order to influence the out-come of the election. If you don't want to to do it then I suggest that you do not support the amendment or the bill, but you ought to do it honestly and take the whole thousand dollars out then. That a...a..I would call your attention that that was not new legislation it was on the books for a number of years in Nebraska it was inadvertently appealed last session and I'm a little amazed at all of the opposition that it has created by something that was law for many years, though it was not enforced. But it was there and if you want meaningful controls on elections in order to improper influence this is the type of thing that will bring it about.

PRESIDENT: Question is do you want to adopt Senator Warner's specific amendment to 877 on Select File. If you do...excuse me Senator Mahoney he was closing at that particular time. Thank you sir. Question is do you want to support the amendment to 877 on Select File? All those in favor for the amendment will vote aye, those opposed vote no. This is the motion to adopt a specific amendment to 877 on Select File, as offered by Senator Warner. Once again, the Chair would inquire, have you all voted? Clerk will record.

CLERK: 31 ayes, 0 nays.